

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A paper machine for stable high-speed papermaking without slackness of a wet web includes a most downstream
5 press unit along a transfer path of the wet web in the press part, a most upstream dryer unit, and a second most upstream dryer unit along the transfer path of the wet web in the dryer part associated with three different belt mechanisms, respectively. Driving units of the three driving units
10 associated with the most downstream press unit and the first and second most upstream dryer units are individually controlled so that a transfer speed of the wet web along each of the most downstream press unit and the first and second most upstream dryer units is individually set.